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## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

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This application claims priority under 35 USC §120 to the following United States patent applications: 10/452,009 and 09/676,250. In accordance with 37 C.F.R §1.98(d), the Examiner is directed to the references cited in all Information Disclosure Statements filed in the priority United States patent applications cited above in addition to the references cited herein.

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, and more particularly in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b), Applicants hereby cite the following reference(s):

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS		
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JP 05 105868	April 27, 1993	Japan
WO 02/28801	April 11, 2002	PCT
WO 98/24737	June 11, 1998	PCT

Applicants are enclosing Form PTO-1449 (one sheet), along with a copy of each listed reference for which a copy is required under 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2). An English language abstract is provided for the Japanese reference cited herein. Applicants respectfully request the Examiner's consideration of the above references and entry thereof into the record of this application.

By submitting this Statement, Applicants are attempting to fully comply with the duty of candor and good faith mandated by 37 C.F.R. §1.56. As such, this Statement is not intended to constitute an admission that any of the enclosed references, or other information referred to therein, constitutes "prior art" or is otherwise "material to patentability," as that phrase is defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(a).

The Applicant or Applicants have calculated no fee to be due in connection with the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement. However, the Director is authorized to charge any fee deficiency associated with the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement to a deposit account, as authorized in the Transmittal accompanying this Information Disclosure Statement.

Respectfully submitted,

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